NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING FILING

The Supreme Court has indicated that the filing of a written opinion in the following case(s) is forthcoming. At the filing time designated below, the filed opinion(s) will be accessible at the judicial branch web site (www.courtinfo.ca.gov) and copies will be made available at the Supreme Court Clerk's Office.

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PEOPLE v. LESSIE (TONY)

S163453 (D050019; San Diego County Superior Court – SCN200740) Argued in Berkeley 11-03-09

This case presents the following issue: Is a minor's request during police interrogation to speak to a parent an invocation of the privilege against self-incrimination that renders statements made after the request inadmissible?

PEOPLE v. McKEE (RICHARD)

S162823 (D050554; San Diego County Superior Court – MH97752) Argued in Berkeley 11-03-09

This case includes the following issues: (1) Was defendant denied due process when he was committed under the Sexually Violent Predator Act, as amended by Proposition 83 in 2006, because the amended act permits commitments for an indeterminate term and, in hearings subsequent to the initial commitment hearing, places the burden on the defendant to prove he is no longer a danger to society? (2) Did defendant's commitment under the amended act violate the prohibition against ex post facto laws? (3) Did the commitment violate defendant's right to equal protection?

Opinion(s) in the above case(s) will be filed on:

Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.